

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT BRANCH

Washington, D.C. 20570

Via email

June 14, 2023

Re: FOIA Request NLRB-2023-001463

Dear Carl Gaul:

This is in response to your request, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, received on May 23, 2023, in which you initially sought "[a]ll files, documents, and notes associated with the NLRB complaint filed against Amazon by [named individual]" in *Amazon*, Case No. 19-CA-305894, which "was voluntarily withdrawn by [the individual] on May 4, 2023."

We acknowledged your request on May 23, 2023. In an exchange of emails with a member of the FOIA staff on May 26, 2023, you narrowed the scope of your request to the formal file records from Case No. 19-CA-305894. Additionally, you provided written certification pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that you have been retained by and currently represent the named Charging Party and are authorized to obtain records and/or information about him. Thus, we have confirmed that you are requesting records on behalf of your client in a case where he was the charging party in the case.

Per your narrowed request, a search of the Agency's electronic casehandling system, NxGen, has been conducted. This search has located 18 pages of responsive, releasable records from the requested case file, which are attached.

Please be advised that your client's name and personal information about him in these records is not redacted and is being released to you because you certified your representation of him in the May 26 email.

After a review, I have determined that other individuals' personally identifying information referenced in the attached records is exempt from disclosure under Exemptions 6 and 7(C) of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C)). Specifically, redactions have been made to protect the privacy interests of individuals named in the records. These redactions were made pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6, which pertains to information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, and FOIA Exemption 7(C), which pertains to records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes,

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the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C).

For the purpose of assessing fees, we have placed you in Category D, the "all other requesters" category, because you represent the Charging Party, and he does not fall within any of the other fee categories. Consistent with this fee category, you will be assessed charges to recover the reasonable direct costs for searching for the requested records, except that you will not be charged for the first two hours of search. NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(ii)(D). Charges for all categories of requesters are \$9.25 per quarter hour of professional time. 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(i).

Less than two hours of professional time was expended in searching for the requested material. Accordingly, there is no charge assessed for this request.

You may contact Patrick Plummer, the Attorney-Advisor who processed your request, at 202-273-2999 or by email at patrick.plummer@nlrb.gov, as well as the Agency's FOIA Public Liaison, for any further assistance and/or to discuss any aspect of your request. The FOIA Public Liaison, in addition to the Attorney-Advisor, can further explain responsive and releasable agency records, suggest agency offices that may have responsive records, and/or discuss how to narrow the scope of a request in order to minimize fees and processing times. The contact information for the Agency's FOIA Public Liaison is:

Kristine M. Minami, FOIA Public Liaison National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: FOIAPublicLiaison@nlrb.gov

Telephone: (202) 273-0902 Fax: (202) 273-FOIA (3642)

After first contacting the Agency, you may additionally contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA dispute resolution services it offers. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 Email: ogis@nara.gov

Telephone: (202) 741-5770 Toll free: (877) 684-6448 Fax: (202) 741-5769 FOIA Request NLRB-2023-001463 June 14, 2023 Page 3

You may obtain a review of this determination under the NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(c)(2)(v), by filing an administrative appeal with the Division of Legal Counsel (DLC) through FOIAonline at: https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home or by mail or email at:

Nancy E. Kessler Platt, Chief FOIA Officer National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: DLCFOIAAppeal@nlrb.gov

Any appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal should contain a complete statement of the reasons upon which it is based.

Please be advised that contacting any Agency official (including the Attorney-Advisor, FOIA Officer, or the FOIA Public Liaison) and/or OGIS does not stop the 90-day appeal clock and is not an alternative or substitute for filing an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: (18 pages)